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HIGHWAY BRIDGE UNDER CONSTRUCTION
QUI MY, NORTH VIETNAM
1924N 10545E

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1. SIGNIFICANCE:

THIS BRIEFING BOARD REVEALS A CONCRETE HIGHWAY BRIDGE UNDER CONSTRUCTION ADJACENT TO THE QUI MY HIGHWAY BRIDGE SOUTH, LOCATED ON ROUTE 1A OVER AN UNNAMED STREAM WHICH FLOWS INTO THE CU'A BANG, 0.6 NM SOUTH OF QUI MY.

2. REMARKS:

ROUTE 1A, ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT NORTH-SOUTH ROUTES IN NORTH VIETNAM, EXTENDS FROM THE CHINA BORDER TO THE SOUTH VIETNAM BORDER VIA HANOI, VINH, AND HA TINH, AND PROVIDES THE ONLY DIRECT BORDER CONNECTION WITH SOUTH VIETNAM. THE 450-MILE ROUTE IS GENERALLY IN FAIR TO GOOD CONDITION AND TRAVERSES HILLY TO FLAT TERRAIN. EXTENSIVE FLOODING OCCURS DURING THE RAINY SEASON OVER MOST OF THE ROUTE. OFF-ROAD DISPERSAL IS GENERALLY DIFFICULT. THERE ARE ABOUT TWO HUNDRED BRIDGES ALONG THE ROUTE AND MOST ARE NARROW, LOW CAPACITY STRUCTURES.

3. MISSION READOUT:

[REDACTED] REVEALS THE QUI MY HIGHWAY BRIDGE SOUTH TO BE SERVICEABLE FOR LIGHT TRAFFIC AND AN ADJACENT CONCRETE HIGHWAY BRIDGE TO BE UNDER CONSTRUCTION. NUMEROUS OLD BOMB CRATERS ARE OBSERVED IN THE VICINITY OF THE BRIDGES. [REDACTED]

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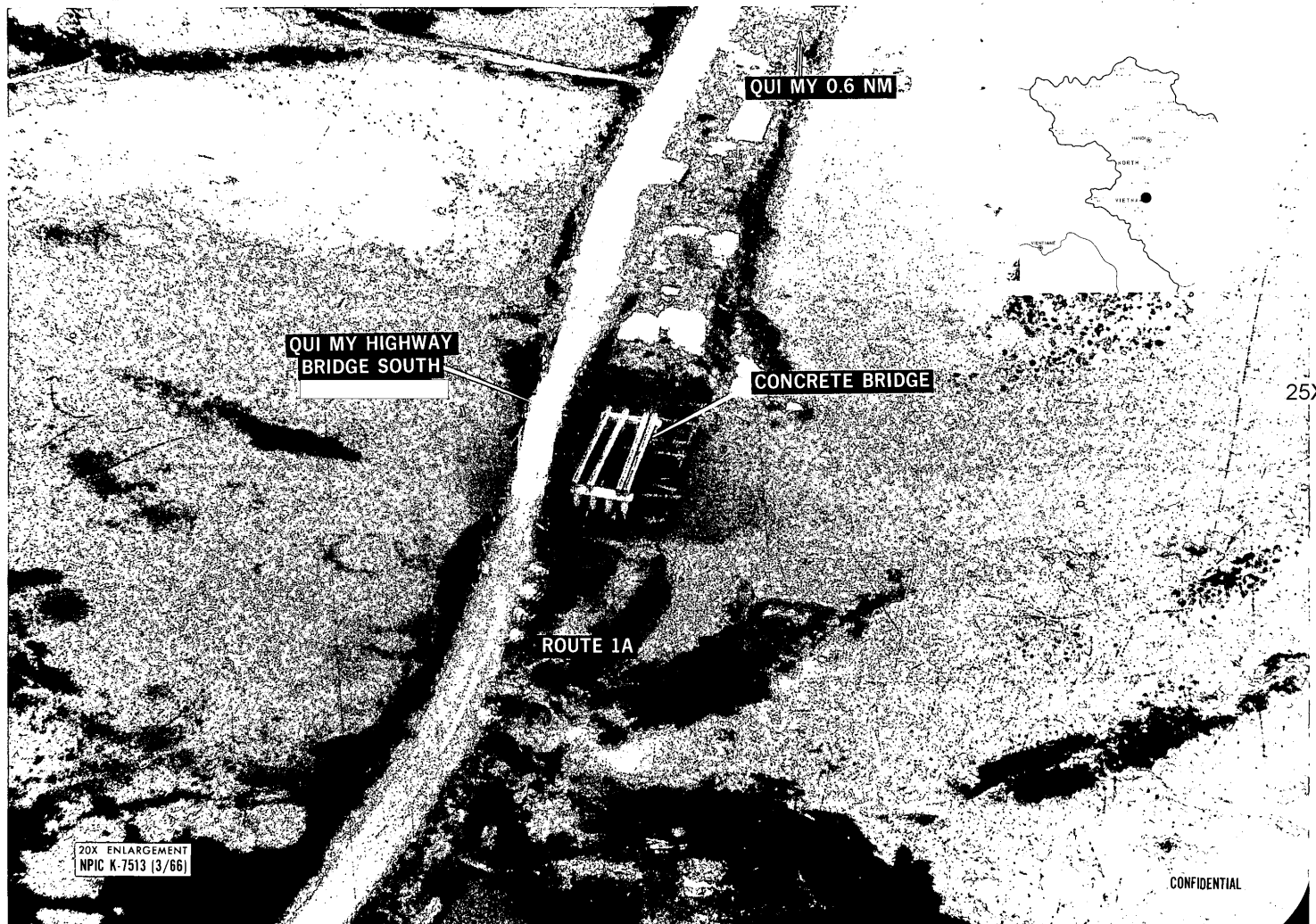
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